

PRESS RELEASE

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City of Carrollton Wins Water System Award

The City of Carrollton has been awarded the "Distribution System of the Year" award by the Georgia Water and Pollution Control Association (GW&PCA). Carrollton's water system was given this award based on excellence in numerous aspects of the operation and maintenance of the water distribution system including: water quality monitoring program, employee certifications, maintenance programs, system and equipment condition, system maps and hydraulic model, flushing program, backflow program, new construction review and inspection, and safety programs just to name a few.

This award is the culmination of hard work from several departments including the system maintenance department, the water treatment plant, the engineering department, and the fire department. Significant enhancements have been made by all involved.

Mayor Wayne Garner is quoted as saying: "The receipt of this award shows that the foundations have been laid for Carrollton to have the best water in the state. I am very pleased with the progress and improvements that have been made since new management was installed in May of this year." Assistant City Manager Tim Grizzard stated: "All personnel have worked very hard to bring quality to the Carrollton water system. The quality of Carrollton's water treatment is excellent and will compare with the very best in the state. We have spent nearly \$500,000 on enhancements to the system and treatment plant thus far with additional enhancements underway. I wish to personally thank Public Works Director, Mike Green, Water Treatment Plant Superintendent, Don North; Engineering Supervisor, Ryan Lawler; Water Quality Supervisor, Joe Kent, and Fire Chief, Jimmy Bearden and their employees."

The GW&PCA grants one distribution system award each year in three categories: small, medium, and large systems. Carrollton is classified as a small system based on service of less than 10,000 customers.

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